JESUS, NAME ABOVE 115 ALL NAMES

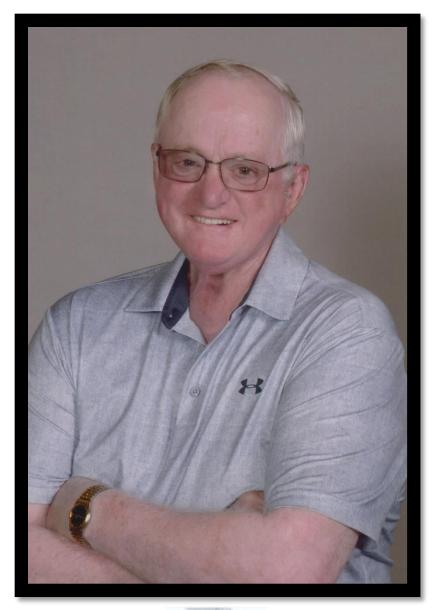


- 2. Jesus, loving shepherd Vine of the branches, Son of God Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor Lord of the universe, Light of the world.
- Jesus, Way of salvation, King of kings, Lord of Lords, the way the truth, and the Life, Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.

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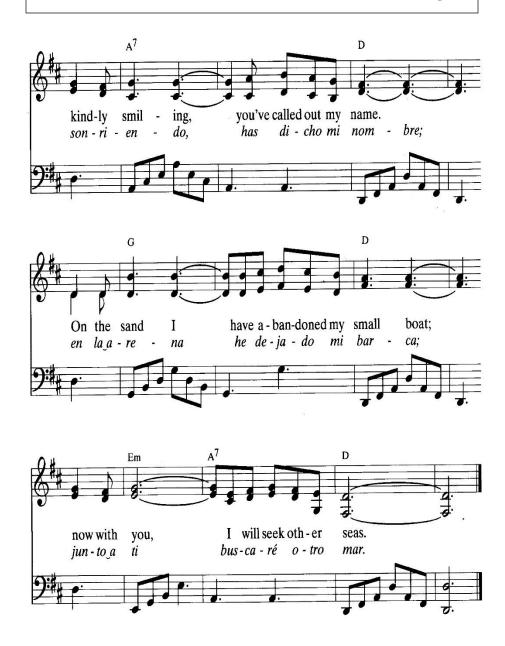
Remembering With Love

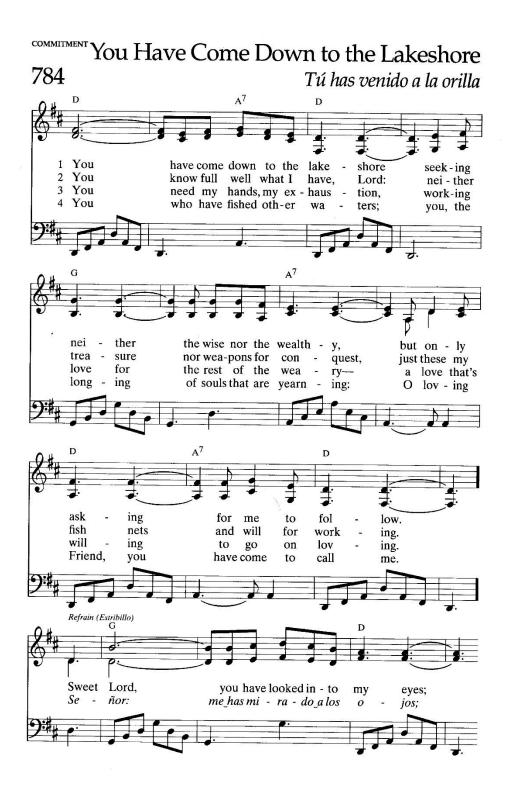












Bruce Lyn Simon

Bruce was born February 22, 1949, to the late Kenneth and Doris (Woldmoe) Simon of Hampden, ND. He was raised and educated in the Hampden area, graduating from Hampden High School with the class of 67. Bruce attended Lake Region State College for 2 years, and then a short time at UND, pursuing a degree in accounting.

But farming was his true passion, so he came home to farm with his Dad and eventually set up his own operation.

Bruce married Linda Harpestad on October 26, 1973. Together they raised their 2 children, Stephanie, and Steven.

Bruce was an avid fisherman and often took the kids along. Ice fishing was always a challenge, because one of them invariably stepped in the hole. He learned to take extra clothing along.

After retiring from farming, he and Linda enjoyed following their grandkids in their various sports, be it football, volleyball, basketball, softball, baseball, or track. They tried to get to as many games as they could. And Bruce couldn't wait to brag to anyone who would listen how great they had done.

When he wasn't at a game, Bruce enjoyed doing jigsaw puzzles and watching Westerns. And eating Hershey Nuggets. He loved those nuggets!

A father always wants his children to be more successful in life than he was. He wasn't disappointed. He couldn't have been prouder of both Stephanie and Steve.

Bruce is survived by his wife Linda of 49 years; daughter Stephanie (Todd) Hartleben of Bismarck ND; son Steve (Kristin) Simon of Hampden; five grandchildren Chloe, Kenna and Brogan Lambrecht and Karsen and Parker Simon; sisters Karen (Palmer) Brekhus of Tolley, ND, Kathy Cromwell of Casper, WY and Linda (Larry) Geisen of Langdon ND; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law Robert Harpestad Jr.(Sandy Miller), Edmore ND, Sheila (Mark) Robertsdahl, Devils Lake, Rick (Naomi) Harpestad, Mayville, ND, Tamara (Rick) Clemetson, Park River, ND along with several nieces and nephews.

Bruce's parents and in-laws Robert and Dorothy Harpestad preceded him in death.

THE OLD FARMER'S PRAYER

Time just keeps moving on, Many years have come and gone, But I grow older without regret, My hopes are in what may come yet.

On the farm, I work each day, This is where I wish to stay, I watch the seeds each season sprout, From the soil as the plants rise out.

I study Nature and I learn, To know the earth and feel her turn, I love her dearly and all the seasons, For I have learned her secret reasons.

All that will live is in the bosom of Earth, She is the loving mother of all birth, But all that lives must pass away, And go back again to her someday.

My life too will pass from Earth, But do not grieve, I say, there will be other birth, When my body is old and all spent, And my soul to Heaven has went.

Please compost and spread me on this plain, So my body Mother Earth can claim, That is where I wish to be, Then Nature can nourish new life with me.

So do not grieve and weep for me, I did not leave, I only sleep, I am with the soil here below, Where I can nourish life of beauty and glow.

Here I can help the falling rain, Grow golden fields of ripening grain, From here I can join the winds that blow, And meet the softly falling snow.

Here I can help the sun's warming light, Grow food for birds of gliding flight, I can be in the beautiful flowers of spring, And in every other lovely thing.

> So do not weep and cry for me, I am here, I do not die.

Forever Loved, Forever In Our Hearts Beloved Husband, Dad, Grandpa, Brother, Uncle, Cousin, Dear Neighbor and Friend

Bruce Lyn Simon

HIS BIRTH Tuesday, February 22, 1949 Devils Lake, North Dakota

HIS DEATH Thursday, August 31, 2023 Grand Forks, North Dakota

GATHERING OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Gilbertson Funeral Home Chapel Devils Lake, North Dakota Monday, September 4, 2023

FUNERAL SERVICE

Concordia Lutheran Church Edmore, North Dakota Tuesday, September 5, 2023 ~ 2:00 p.m.

OFFICIATING

Pastor Rebecca Kjelland

SPECIAL MUSIC Congregational Hymns Kelly Hamre, Soloist Traci Hysjulien, Pianist

> **READER** *Rick Harpestad*

URN BEARERS Lee Werner ~ Reid Kuchar Kelly Hamre ~ Greg Schonauer

HONORARY PALLBEARERS Bruce's Grandchildren Chloe, Kenna, Brogan, Karsen, Parker

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST Storlie Cemetery Rural Hampden, North Dakota At a later date